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The following items were adopted at the July 25, 1996 Commission meeting and released later that day:

NEWS RELEASES

COMMISSION BEGINS FINAL STEP IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIGITAL TELEVISION (DTV) - MM DOCKET NO. 87-268 (Report No. DC 96-71, Action in Docket Case)

The Commission today moved into the final phase of implementing the next era of broadcast television -- digital television (DTV) -- by proposing policies for developing the initial DTV allotments and procedures for assigning DTV frequencies to broadcasters.

Action by the Commission July 25, 1996 by Sixth Further NPRM (FCC 96-317).

News Media contact: Patricia A. Chew at (202) 418-0500; Office of Engineering and Technology contacts: Bruce Franca and Alan Stillwell at (202) 418-2470, Robert Eckert at (202) 418-2433. [Internet file name: nret6009.txt]

COMMISSION ADOPTS CABLE PRICING FLEXIBILITY ITEM - MM DOCKET NO. 92-266, CS DOCKET NO. 96-157 (Report No. DC 96-70, Action in Docket Case)

Action by the Commission July 25, 1996, by R&O and NPRM (FCC 96-316).

News Media contact: Morgan Broman at (202) 418-2358; Cable Services Bureau contact: Nancy Stevenson at (202) 418-7200. [Internet file name: nrcb6011.txt]

FCC CREATES A NEW LOW POWER RADIO SERVICE IN THE 216-217 MHz BAND - WT DOCKET NO. 95-56 (Report No. DC 96-72, Action in Docket Case)

Today the Commission adopted rules creating a new Low Power Radio Service (LPRS) in the 216-217 MHz band. LPRS will be authorized as a Personal Radio Service under Part 95 of the Commission's rules. LPRS devices will be authorized on a secondary, non-interference basis, for short-range, lower power communications including auditory assistance devices for persons with disabilities, health care assistance devices for persons with illnesses, law enforcement tracking systems, and point-to-point network control communications for Automated Maritime Telecommunications Systems (AMTS).

Action by the Commission July 25, 1996 by R&O

(FCC 96-315).

News Media contact: Kara Palamaras at (202) 418-0654; Wireless Telecommunications Bureau contact: Roger Noel or Ira Keltz at (202) 418-0680. [Internet file name: nrwl6036.txt]

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The following items are dated for and released July 26, 1996:

NEWS RELEASES

FCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FCC FILINGS

PUBLIC NOTICES

COMMISSION SEEKS COMMENT ON PETITIONS FOR
WAIVER OF LATA BOUNDARIES TO PROVIDE
EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE IN TEXAS
AND NORTH CAROLINA - CC DOCKET NO. 96-159 -
COMMENTS ARE DUE AUGUST 26, REPLIES
SEPTEMBER 10 - Contact: Cheryl Taylor at (202) 418-
2499 or Pam Gerr at (202) 418-2357 [DA 96-1190]

COMMISSION SEEKS COMMENT ON PETITIONS FOR
ASSOCIATION CHANGES BY INDEPENDENT
TELEPHONE COMPANIES - CC DOCKET NO. 96-158 -
COMMENTS DUE AUGUST 26, REPLIES SEPTEMBER
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(202) 418-2357 [DA 96-1189]

TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG:
July 25

EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY
COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN NON-RESTRICTED
PROCEEDINGS

Report No. 1086 - CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE
REGISTRATIONS; SPECIAL RELIEF AND OTHER
FILINGS

Report No. 3583 - CABLE TELEVISION ACTION

Report No. 23789 - BROADCAST APPLICATIONS

Report Nos. 43789 and 43789A - BROADCAST
ACTIONS [Two Public Notices]

Report No. CL-96-59 - WIRELESS
TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL
RADIO SERVICE INFORMATION

Report No. LB-96-39 - WIRELESS
TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL
WIRELESS SERVICE INFORMATION

Report No. CPD-14 - PROTESTED TARIFF
TRANSMITTALS ACTIONS TAKEN - Contact: (202)
418-1540 [DA 96-1197]

Report No. 1858 - WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS
BUREAU - July 15 through July 19

TEXTS

VARIOUS LOCATIONS Amended the FM Table of
Allotments at various locations. (By R&O [DA 96-1162]
adopted July 19 by the Chief, Allocations Branch, Mass
Media Bureau)

SHINGLETOWN, CA. Effective September 9, allotted
Channel 241A to Shingletown, CA as its second FM
service. The filing window opens September 9, closes
October 10. (MM Docket No. 95-51 by R&O [DA 96-
1164] adopted July 19 by the Chief, Allocations Branch)

LIMON, CO. Proposed allotting Channel 229A to Limon,
CA, as its second FM service. Comments are due
September 16, replies October 1. (MM Docket No. 96-156
by NPRM [DA 96-1167] adopted July 19 by the Chief,
Allocations Branch)

KEAAU, HI. Proposed allotting Channel 286C2 to Keaaau,
HI as its first broadcast service. Comments are due
September 16, replies October 1. (MM Docket No. 96-155
by NPRM [DA 96-1163] adopted July 19 by the Chief,
Allocations Branch)

BURLINGTON, CO/BREWSTER, KS. Effective
September 9, allotted Channel 257C1 to Burlington, CO.
The filing window opens September 9, closes October 10.
(MM Docket No. 94-134 by R&O [DA 96-1151] adopted
July 19 by the Chief, Allocations Branch)

FRANKLIN AND WHITE CASTLE, LA. Dismissed
proposals to allot Channel 295C3 to Franklin and the
counter proposal to allot Channel 295C3 to White Castle,
LA; terminated proceeding. (MM Docket No. 96-36 by
R&O [DA 96-1161] adopted July 19 by the Chief,
Allocations Branch)

BILLINGS AND LEWISTOWN, MT. Denied petition for
reconsideration filed by Comanche Enterprises regarding the
R&O to amend the FM Table at Billings and Lewistown,
MT. (MM Docket No. 89-91 by M0&0 [DA 96-369])

adopted March 8 by the Chief, Policy and Rules Division,
Mass Media Bureau)

WYNNEWOOD, OK. Proposed allotting Channel 291A to
Wynnewood, OK, as its first broadcast service. Comments
are due September 16, replies October 1. (MM Docket No.
96-154 by NPRM [DA 96-1160] adopted July 19 by the
Chief, Allocations Branch)

FARMINGTON, GRASS VASLLEY, JACKSON,
LINDEN, PLACERVILLE AND FAIR OAKS,
CA/CARSON CITY AND SUN VALLEY, NV.
ERRATUM to Second R&O [DA 96-1109] released July 12
in the matter of allotting Channel 233C2 to Sun Valley, NV.
The filing window opens July 29, closes August 29. (MM
Docket No. 90-189 adopted July 19)

ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY CALLING SYSTEMS.
Adopted R&O that creates rules to govern the availability
of basic 911 services and the implementation of Enhanced
911 (E911) for wireless services. Comments are due
August 26, replies September 10. (CC Docket No. 94-102
by R&O and Further NPRM [FCC 96-264] adopted June 12
by the Commission)

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ADDENDA: The following items dated July 25 were not
listed on Digest 137:

NEWS RELEASES

REPORT ON IMPROVING COMMISSION PROCESSES
RELEASED - OPP Contact: Donnajean Ward at (202) 418-
2051 [Internet file name: nrmc6057.txt]

SUNSHINE AGENDA

THE FCC WILL HOLD AN OPEN MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1996, 9:30 AM

PUBLIC NOTICE

JOINT MOTION FOR EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION
AND JOINT PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING
ON THE ASSIGNMENT OF ACCOUNTS (TRAFFIC)
WITHOUT THE ASSOCIATED CSTP II PLANS UNDER
AT&T TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 2 - Comments are due August
14, replies August 26 [DA 96-1182] - Contact: Wanda M.
Harris at (202) 418-1530

TEXT

LOCATION AND MONITORING SERVICE (LMS).
Extended by 60 days, until November 1, 1996, the deadline
for grandfathered operators in the LMS to construct their
systems and put them into operation. (By Order [DA 96-
1192] adopted July 25 by the Chief, Wireless
Telecommunications Bureau)

ADDENDUM: The following item released July 23 was
not listed on that day's Digest:

NEWS RELEASE

CORRECTION - FCC FILINGS, released July 19 [Mimeo
No. 64172]

